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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 24/June, through Sunday, 1/July there were 229 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D4, D6, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HK0/m, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T30, T32, T33, T7, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations. As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL). OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive an additional bulletin (due to its size) with a complete breakdown and "DXCC/Entities Chart of Activity".

3W, VIETNAM. Michal, **3W7TK**, has been very busy lately on 15 meters CW/SSB. Check between 1245 and 1830z on or around 21255 or 21012 kHz. QSL via OK2HWB.

9H, MALTA. NODXA's good friend Holger, DL7IO, informs OPDX that he is happy to announce their first DXpedition with the newborn Xenia. Holger and the girls (Birgit/DL7IQ, Saskia and Xenia), along with Olaf/DJ7TO left for **Gozo Island (EU-023)** on Sunday, **July 1st**, and by the time you read this, they should be active as **9H3O** for the **next two weeks (July 15th)**. Birgit/DL7IQ will use her **9H3TZ**. They plan to have two stations up with legal power,

directional antennas for 20-10m and verticals/dipoles for the lower bands. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, mostly CW. Their main activity will take place between **July 6-9th**. They got permission to use the location of the **Gordon Fanal Lighthouse** on Gozo (130m over NN, 360 degree view) during that time and will do so with both stations. QSL route is of course via DL7VRO. ADDED NOTES: As the editor was putting the final touches on the bulletin, 9H3O was heard active on 17/15/12 meters between 1200-1600z. Check around 18080, 21007 and 24900 kHz.

CONTEST ANNOUNCEMENT/CHANGE. Rob, HK3CW, Director of Contests and Awards of the Liga Colombiana de Radioaficionados (LCRA), informed OPDX that this year's **Colombian Independence Day Contest** will be held on **July 21st**, 0001-2400z. This has not been publicized. The contest committee decided to change the date and rules to make it more competitive for DX to work the contest and avoid other DX contests that occur on the same date. Details can be found on the Web page: <http://hk3cw.freehomepage.com> (Sadly it is in Spanish)

DXCC NEWS RELEASE (June 26, 2001): Bill Moore, NC1L, DXCC Manager, has announced the following: DXCC is pleased to announce the addition of the **12-Meter Single Band DXCC award**. Applications for this award will be accepted beginning July 2, 2001. 12 Meter DXCC certificates will be dated but not numbered. 12 meter credits will not count toward the DeSoto Cup competition until October 1, 2001, but they will be included in the DXCC Challenge totals. If you do not know what credits you have on 12 meters, you may contact DXCC for a copy of your record. Note: the 12-meter band was added to the printout on January 1, 2001. If you received a copy since then, you already have a copy of your 12-meter credits. This will help avoid duplicates and additional costs. If you have web access and can handle ADOBE (.pdf) files, contact DXCC at dxcc@arrl.org for a copy of your record. If you do not have web access, please send a note to DXCC along with \$2.00 for postage and handling. For further information, please contact DXCC at dxcc@arrl.org

EY, TAJIKISTAN. This is the week that a group of mountaineers and EY amateurs are planning an expedition to the **Sarez Lake**. The group will climb a nameless mountain (5800m) and name it "Radio Amateurs Peak". The operators will be Vladimir/EY8HB, Nodir/EY8MM and Faruh/EY8AV. However, Faruh will stay in the base camp and coordinate all the activities while Vladimir and Nodir climb the mountain. Once the expedition team reaches the peak, the two operators will use the special callsign **EY1ARP** (Amateur Radio Peak) only for about one or two hours. For more information on this expedition, check the Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/ey8mm/ey1arp.html>

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Karesz, HA8EU, will be active from here **now through July 3rd**. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, primarily on CW with some SSB. QSL via HA2NM, direct or Bureau.

IOTA NEWS.....

- **AF-NEW.** Hrane, YT1AD, is preparing a DXpedition to **Galite Island** for **July 5-12th**. Possible callsigns may be **3V2GI** or **3V8GI**.
- **AS-056.** Masa, JA6GXX, Masa will be active from **Danjo Archipelago (Meshima Island)**, on the following dates: **July 13-24th**, **August 14-24th** and **October 5-16th**. This is not a DXpedition, and he will be active in his spare time. Suggested frequencies

are: 7 MHz, 14260 +/- 10 kHz or 21260 +/- 10 kHz. QSL only via the Bureau.

- **EU-174.** The EDR Vestfyn branch will participate in the annual **VHF field day** from **July 3rd**, 1400z to **July 4th**, 1400z, using the callsign **OZ5VF/P** from JO45XG near **Ebberup** on the Island of **Fyn**. Activity will be on or around (+/-QRM) 50.173 MHz, 144.173 MHz or 144.273 MHz and 432.173 MHz. The team will consist of OZ4CQ, OZ6CQ and OZ6OM/OZ7M along with others. All are qualified VHF operators.
- **EU-184.** (CORRECTION) Operators OH6HJE, OH6UV, OH6MTG and OH6NJ will be active as **OH6AW/8** from **Hailuoto Island** now **through July 5th** (not July 29th-August 4th as reported last week). QSL via OH6AD. Operation will be on HF, 6m, 2m and 70cm. A Web page is available at: <http://www.qsl.net/oh6mtg/hailuoto.html>
- **NA-031.** Mark, AA1AC, will be active during the upcoming **IOTA contest** from **Aquidneck Island, Rhode Island**, as **AA1AC/1**. QSL to home callsign.
- **NA-076.** Fred, KF9YL, will be operating from **Cedar Key, FL**, during the **2001 IOTA Contest**. QSL direct (PO Box 291891, Davie, FL 33329-1891) or via the bureau.
- **NA-148.** Tony/WF1N and Lou/W1DIG will be on the **Thacher Island, July 27-29th**. Operation will start around 1500z Friday and end about 1800z Sunday. Look for activity before and during the **IOTA Contest**. They will use a tribander and amp on/near the usual IOTA frequencies, (40m, 7260 +/- at the top of the hour), SSB. QSL to home callsigns direct (SAE and postage, please) or Bureau. Tony can be contacted at: megahertz260@mindspring.com
- **SA-052.** Pablo/OA4DJW, Sergio/OA4DKC and Manuel/OA4AHW report that their scheduled date for the **San Lorenzo Island** operation had to be **postponed** possibly until the **last weeks of August** or the beginning of September. The reason for the change of date is due to the delay of the permission paperwork, licenses and some logistic problems. They state that they are very enthusiastic about this small DXpedition, however big for them, project. They are trying to fix all the problems as fast as possible and trying to also increase the crew so they can work more people.

JW, SVALBARD. Remember to look for Tom, LA4LN, as **JW4LN** on **Spitsbergen** from **July 6-23rd** He is actually working there and can only operate on CW on 40/30/20/6 meters during his spare time in the evening hours. During his stay there he will also visit **Bear Island**.

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY.....

- (Lighthouse/IOTA/Special-Event). To celebrate the **10th anniversary of the Croatian Navy** - HRV.Ratna Mornarica, look for special event station **9A10HRM** to be active from the lighthouse on **Brijuni Islands (EU-110, CLH-101, CI-139 and WLH-1651)**. This operation is organized by Kresimir, 9A7K, along with 5 to 7 operators of the Croatian IOTA Hunters Group and Members of ARC "Koprivnica". Activity will be July 27th through August 3rd (with a possibility of 2 or 3 extra days). Operations will be on HF, UHF, WARC and 6M. Also, look for **9A0LH** to be active during the **IOTA Contest July 28-29th**. Hams interested in these DXpeditions and the Croatian LightHouse Award can get all the details on the following Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/9a7k/> QSLs for 9A10HRM and 9A0LH go to 9A7K: Kresimir Juratovix, P.O. Box 88, HR-48001 Koprivnica, CROATIA.
- The Orkney Amateur Radio Club will be active as **GB5RO** from **Hoy High Lighthouse** on the Island of **Graemsay** for Lighthouse Weekend, **August 18-19th**. Graemsay is OR-20 for the Islands of Scotland Award, and EU-009 for IOTA Award. Operation is from

mid-afternoon on the 18th until 12 noon on the 19th. QSL to GM4DZX.

- (Lighthouse/IOTA/Special-Event). Brent, KO4PY, reports that for the **IOTA Contest**, they will activate **Bodie Island Lighthouse** (North Carolina - Dare County near Oregon Inlet - IOTA **NA-067**). This is where Wrights' First Flight (Centinneal of non-powered glider flights of 1901) took place, and the special event callsign **W1F** (Wrights' 1st Flight) will be used during the IOTA Contest. Setup will take place **July 27th**, and possibly be on the air about 1600z (as KO4PY and N4YDU). For the IOTA contest period only, they will operate as W1F on 10, 15 and 20 meters. Possible overnight 40 meters operation may take place, depending on local conditions. QSL for W1F is KO4PY.
- On **August 3-4th**, look for special event **W0MTL - "Mark Twain Memorial Lighthouse"**, from **Hannibal, MO** (ARLHS USA-915). A Photo QSL and certificate will be available. Send QSL card and a 9x12 SASE with 55 cents postage to W0MTL CBA. This is a joint special event by the Hannibal, MO ARC and Western Illinois ARC.
- Members of the Castalia Island DX Association and the Tar River ARC of Rocky Mount, NC, will participate in the **International Lighthouse Weekend August 18-19th** with an operation near the **Currituck Beach Lighthouse** (USA 212) on the **Outer Banks of North Carolina**. The callsign for the operation will be **K4UP**. QSLs go to K4UP. More information can be found at: <http://www.qsl.net/cidxa/currituck.html>
- New Lighthouse To Be Activated! Mike, UA0MF, will visit the "**Skryplev**" **Lighthouse** (LH 1309) on **July 2nd** from 0200-1200z for a reconnaissance before the main one week expedition in late July. He will operate as **UE0LLH** with a FT-900 and GP on 15/20 meters during his stay. This island is IOTA **AS-066** as well. The main expedition's exact date will be announced later. QSL direct to: Mike Filippov, Box 20, Vladivostok, 690021, Russia.
- A list of scheduled amateur radio operations at lighthouses all over the world during this weekend can be found at: <http://vk2ce.com/illw/2001.htm>

LT1, ARGENTINA (Live Webcam). The "BadPower Team" will be active during the **IARU Contest** with a live Webcam feed for people around the world to see and hear themselves being worked by LT1F. The Webcam can be seen at: <http://www.badpower.com.ar/> This has been done before, though this would be the first time a LU station will be airing a contest feed online for the world to see. The Team is: LU1FAM/Luc, LU1FGE/Fabi, LU1FKR/Kar, LU3FZW/Ber and LU5FHM/Joe. The station's description is:

10m - 4x4 + 6 element mono-bander

15m - 5x5

20m - 4x4

40m - 3 element mono-bander

80m - wire vertical

160m - inverted "V"

LX, LUXEMBOURG. A Dutch team will be active as **LX9SW** from **September 15-22nd**. They will concentrate on CW and SSB, 160-10 meters, but there will also be active on RTTY and PSK31. Suggested frequencies are (+/- QRM):

- **CW** - 1820, 3520, 7020, 10120, 14060, 18070, 21020, 24900, 28020
- **SSB** - 1845, 3785, 7080, 14185, 18150, 21280, 24950, 28480
- **2 meters** - 144.325 and 144.020

They will listen up 5 kHz. QSL via PA1KW. QSL is OK by the bureau or direct with an IRC or greenstamp.

OH, FINLAND (also OH0 and ES). Bernie, W3UR, Editor of "The Daily DX" is on his way to Finland, the site of the 2002 World Radio Team Championship (WRTC). His first stop will be Helsinki, Finland, on **July 3rd**, where he will be active for a day or two as **W3UR/OH2** from the QTH of Martti Laine, OH2BH. While there he will tour the "Ring Three", the main road circulating Helsinki where all 50+ WRTC stations of next year's event will be located. He will also attend Hietahami 2001 (<http://oh8ta.oulu.fi/hietahami/>), the SRAL (Finnish Amateur Radio Society) Summer Camp. This is a hamfest and field day event with lots of demonstrations of many Amateur Radio activities. This is the primary reason for Bernie's trip as he will be the guest speaker at both the DX and Contest forums, presenting 4W/W3UR and A61AJ. Also, look for **W3UR/OH0** to be active from **Brando Island** (EU-002), in the **Aland Islands** (<http://www.aland.fi>) from **July 7-10th**. Assisting him on the air will be his hosts OH2RF, OH2BE, OH2BH, OH2JTE and possibly others. On **July 11th**, the group will be visiting Enn, ES1AR, and friends in Tallinn, Estonia. There may be some activity as **W3UR/ES1** for a few hours. A special QSL card will be created for this WRTC-2002 introduction operation. QSL via W3UR.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Team **OH0V** will be active **July 24-31st** on atop of **Geta Mountain**. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, plus 6 and 2 meters with various callsigns. Look for them on HF, digimodes and 2m meteorscatter (available on 144.139 MHz). The OH0V international team of operators are: DJ2QV, DK3DM, DK5DQ, OH6LI and OH6QU. QSL to OH6LI via bureau or direct: Jukka Klemola, Aarontie 5, 31400 SOMERO, FINLAND.

OY, FAROE ISLANDS. The "DX Newsletter" reports that Fabian, DL1YFK, will be active **July 7-11th**; no callsign mentioned. Activity will be on CW on 40-10 meters. He will then travel to Iceland afterwards.

QSL NEWS AND INFO.....

- **7O1YGF DXCC Status.** Franz, DK1II, has informed Andy, NX1Q, that "it doesn't look too good for getting a piece of paper from the Yemeni authorities." Dominik, DL5EBE, a member of 7O team was just recently again in Sana'a, where they "still have good relations with the responsible persons in the Ministry of Communications, but the answer he got there was not encouraging." Franz states (repeats), "we entered Yemen and did our operation, we had the firm oral promise, that our operation was approved by all relevant authorities and that we would get an approval in writing. Due to several circumstances which were not in our control and not caused by ourselves (!), there happened a change in mind.....! But we assume, that we brought some movement in the issue of legalizing amateur radio in Yemen! This is the only info I can give you now! Sri!"
- Gil, F5NOD, reports that all **FR/F6KDF/T** QSLs received before April have been sent. If you didn't receive yours, please resubmit to F6KDF, the QSL Manager. Gil reminds everyone to put the name of your country on the SAE. Also, there will be NO QSL mailing before September ...
- Laurent, KM5M/F5JTL, informs OPDX that he has talked to Jean-Claude, **TR8XX**, who used to be his next-door neighbor in France. He told him that he is going back to France for the summer and QSL cards should be sent to his F2XX callsign/address while he is there. The Gabon post office doesn't always work well, and it would be a lot safer to send directly to his French address for the next 2 months.
- QSL Manager, Steve, KU9C, reports that he expects the **BQ9P** QSL card to find its way to his doorstep on/about July 13th. However, due to some family commitments, he is

going to be a bit slower than normal in getting these cards out, as he has some things scheduled in July that will keep him away from the QSL cards (yes, even QSL Managers take a vacation now and then!). He will begin processing the cards immediately, but as he has some 6500 envelopes to fill. He doesn't anticipate having the cards out completely before mid-August. He doesn't think that this will create any award submission problems, and he states he will do the best he can to improve on this schedule. When all direct cards are out, Steve will post a note. Steve requests to please not E-mail him asking him if he has your card or if he has mailed your card, etc...

- **OS4OSA** was a special event station for the Cutty Sark Tall Ships Race from Antwerp. A special QSL card will be received via the bureau for every contact, or if you prefer send a direct card to ON7SS: Marc Domen, Ferdinand Coosemansstraat 32, B - 2600 Berchem (Antwerpen), BELGIUM.
- Complete and final logs for the **VE8PW** Southampton Island (NA-007) and VE8PW King William Island (NA-131) operations are available at: http://www.qrz.com/va3rj/search_ve8pw.html
- Complete and final logs for the **VK8PW/8** South Goulburn Island DXpedition (OC-229) are available at: http://www.qrz.com/va3rj/search_vk8pw.html
- **VA3RJ** now has 2700 plus on-line log searches at: http://www.qrz.com/va3rj/frame_logs.html
- Tom, GM4FDM, reported this past weekend that the first batch of **VP8SDX** QSL were put in the mail June 30th.

SPECIAL EVENT. The **Radio Club Chajari** celebrates its **30th anniversary** through **December 31st**, using the special callsign **L30J** (Lima three zero Juliett), only during international contests and a few special events. QSL via the bureau or direct to LU5JC: Radio Club Chajari, Casilla de Correo 2, E3228 Chajari, Argentina

SPECIAL EVENT CANCELLED. Vernon, VE2MBS, informed OPDX Sunday, July 1st, of the following about the special event **VC2A** by the Montreal Amateur Radio Club: "Sorry for the notice. I was told a few minutes ago that the special event station has been canceled because of thunderstorms in the area. I was about a half a mile away from the Canada Day site in Dorval about twenty minutes ago and the lightning was quite a sight! Again, sorry but that's the way it goes I guess..... Vernon"

T48, CUBA. Fabrizio, IN3ZNR, will be operating from Cuba with the special callsign **T48Z** during the **IARU HF Championship**. This effort will be together with some Cuban Hams, like CO8HF and CO8TW. Some hours of operation will be possible also before the start of the contest. QSL via IN3ZNR his callbook address.

TI, COSTA RICA. William, AK0A, will be going to Costa Rica for the **CQWW RTTY Contest** in **September** and the **TARA PSK31 Rumble** in **October**. His callsign will be issued upon his arrival.

SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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